

CITY OF ALAMEDA

Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

From: Lisa Goldman
Acting City Manager

Date: January 18, 2011

Re: Authorize the Acting City Manager to Enter into the Landing Rights Agreement License to Land at the Port of San Francisco Ferry Terminals for Commuter, Excursion, and Other Ferry Services by and Between the City and County of San Francisco, Operating by and Through the San Francisco Port Commission, and the City of Alameda

BACKGROUND

In 1995, the City of Alameda and the City and County of San Francisco, operating by and through the San Francisco Port Commission (Port), entered into Landing Rights License No. 12192 for Common Carrier Ferry Service Landing Slot(s) at Pier ½ the North Ferry Terminal (License Agreement). The License Agreement specified the terms and conditions under which the Alameda/Oakland Ferry Service (AOFS) could land at the San Francisco Ferry Building. Over the years, the License Agreement has been modified to permit the AOFS to land at China Basin for San Francisco Giants games and to operate from the Ferry Building's Gate E. The Port is now requiring ferry operators to enter into a new landing agreement license (Revised License) effective January 2011.

DISCUSSION

The Revised License updates insurance requirements and docking schedules, and establishes new fee schedules. The fee schedules provide separate rates for the San Francisco Ferry Building landings and for China Basin landings. At China Basin there is a \$0.25 per passenger fee in addition to a \$25.00 per landing fee. The increased landing cost resulting from the new fee schedule was anticipated by City staff and included in the FY10-11 ferry service budgets adopted by the City Council on June 15, 2010. The Revised License provides for both AOFS and Alameda Harbor Bay Ferry (AHBF) operations at Port facilities. City staff anticipates that operational responsibility for both ferry services will transfer to the San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA) in early 2011. WETA expects to have a separate landing rights license with the Port in place prior to the transfer of the ferry services. The City's Revised License will terminate upon transfer of the ferry service to WETA. A copy of the Revised License is on file in the City Clerk's office.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

The AOFS and AHBf services are identified under the Capital Improvement Program (621.10 and 621.20). Funding for the services is provided from farebox revenue, the Regional Measure 1 and Regional Measure 2 Bridge Toll program, Measure B, the Port of Oakland, Harbor Bay Landscaping & Lighting Maintenance District (LLMD 82-4), and the Transportation Improvement Fund (TIF). There is no impact on the General Fund.

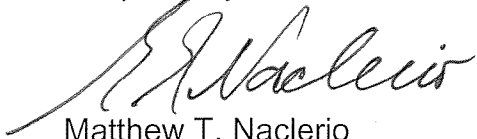
MUNICIPAL CODE/POLICY DOCUMENT CROSS REFERENCE

This action does not affect the Alameda Municipal Code.

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the Acting City Manager to enter into the Revised License by and between the City and County of San Francisco, operating by and through the San Francisco Port Commission, and the City of Alameda.

Respectfully submitted,



Matthew T. Naclerio
Public Works Director

By:



Ernest Sanchez
Ferry Manager

Approved as to funds and account,



Fred Marsh
Controller

Exhibit:

1. Revised License (on file in the City Clerk's office)

cc: C. Timothy Hoppen (HBM)
Stephen K. Brimhall (HBM)
Nina Rannels, (WETA)
Watchdog Committee – Ferry